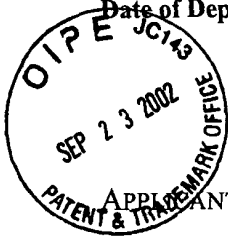


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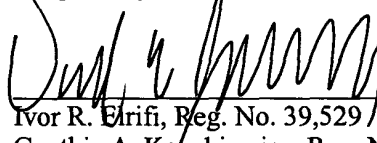
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a four-month extension of time to respond to the March 25, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before September 25, 2002.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, our Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21402-211 (Cura 511)). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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